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## **CLAIMS**

- 1. An apparatus for cleaning a grill having a number of rungs, the apparatus comprising:
  - a cleaning end including proximal and distal portions, the distal portion of the cleaning end having first and second diverging cleaning members, each cleaning member having an inner edge, an outer edge, and a terminal end,
  - an elongate portion having first and second ends, wherein the second end terminates substantially at the proximal portion of the cleaning end, wherein the apparatus facilitates cleaning substantially the entire external surface area of an individual rung of the grill without having to disassemble the grill.
- 2. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the cleaning end has an overall length of about 1.7 inches.
- 3. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the elongate portion has a circular cross-section.
- 4. The apparatus of claim 3 wherein the elongate portion has a diameter of about 0.75 inches.
- 5. The apparatus of claim 1 having an overall length of about 23 inches.
- 6. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the elongate portion has a length of about 15.2 inches.
- 7. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the outer edge of each cleaning member is curved having a radius and extends from the proximal portion to the terminal end.
- 8. The apparatus of claim 7, wherein the outer edge radius of each cleaning member is about 6 inches.

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- 9. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the cleaning end is disposed at a first angle to the elongate portion.
- 10. The apparatus of claim 9 wherein the first angle is about 30 degrees.
- 11. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the first and second cleaning members diverge at a second angle of about 18 degrees.
- 12. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the first and second cleaning members diverge at a second angle of about 3.5 degrees.
- 13. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein each cleaning member has a length of about 0.55 inches.
- 14. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the outer edge of each cleaning member transitions through a curve having a radius to the terminal end of each cleaning member.
- 15. The apparatus of claim 14 wherein the radius is about 0.125 degrees.
- 16. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the inner edge of each cleaning member transitions through a curve having a radius to the terminal end of each cleaning member.
- 17. The apparatus of claim 16 wherein the radius is about 0.0625 degrees.
- 18. The apparatus of claim 1 further comprising a handle connected to the first end of the elongate portion.
- 19. An apparatus for cleaning a grill having a number of rungs, the apparatus comprising:
  - a cleaning end including proximal and distal portions, the distal portion having first and second cleaning members, each cleaning member having an inner edge and an outer edge, the outer edge forming a curve having a radius from the proximal portion to the distal portion,

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- an elongate portion extending from a first end to the proximal portion of the cleaning end, wherein a user of the apparatus is able to grasp the first end and use the cleaning end to substantially clean the entire external surface area of an individual rung of the grill without having to disassemble the grill.
- 20. The apparatus of claim 19 wherein the first and second cleaning members diverge at an acute angle.
- 21. The apparatus of claim 19 having an angle of about 30 degrees formed between the elongate portion and the cleaning end.
- 22. An apparatus for cleaning a grill having a number of longitudinal grill rungs arranged in parallel, the apparatus comprising:
  - a cleaning end including proximal and distal portions, the distal portion having first and second forked cleaning members, each cleaning member having an inner edge and an outer edge, the outer edge forming a curve from the proximal portion to the distal portion,
  - an elongate portion extending from a first end to the proximal portion of the cleaning end and forming an angle of about 30 degrees between the elongate portion and the proximal portion of the cleaning end, wherein a user of the apparatus is able to grasp the first end and use the cleaning end to substantially clean the entire external surface area of an individual grill member without having to disassemble the grill.